

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 14-12-09**

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For Work Week Commencing: December 8, 2014
Commission Meeting: December 9, 2014, 9:00 a.m.

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9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room – No Web Audio Feed)

9:30 a.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Aleisha)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of December 1, 2014

2. Out of state staff travel (Kate)

Staff requests approval of the following staff travel to mandatory pipeline safety training courses in 2015: John Torske, PHMSA PL3800 Root Cause/Incident Investigation Course, April 27-May 1, 2015, Oklahoma City; Elizabeth Kamback and Joel Tierney, PHMSA PL5342 Safety Evaluation of Liquefied Petroleum Systems Course, April 21-24, 2015, Oklahoma City; and Joel Tierney, PHMSA PL3350 Integrated Inspection Course, September 14-18, 2015, Oklahoma City. Probable Motion: Move to approve the staff travel requests.

3. Randy Cowger d/b/a Glacier Taxi T-14.28.PCN (Brenda)

On October 23, 2014 Randy Cowger d/b/a Glacier Taxi, Columbia Falls, Montana filed an application to remove limitation 1) from PSC No. 9015, that limits movements within the city of limits of Kalispell, Montana. That application was noticed to the public on November 3, 2014 and no protests were received, however, we did receive one written comment for the record. Probable Motion: Approve the application to remove limitation 1).

The current authority reads:

Class B - 1) Persons, baggage and express within Flathead County, Montana and 2) Persons and baggage between all points and places in Flathead County, Montana and the Veterans Hospital at Fort Harrison. Limitations: 1) Movements both originating and terminating within the city limits of Kalispell, Montana are prohibited. 2) Carrier is precluded from operating vehicles with a seating capacity above eight with the exception of the transportation of children and attendants originating or terminating in Columbia Falls and nine (9) miles to or from Big Mountain.

The new authority will read as follows:

Class B - 1) Persons, baggage and express within Flathead County, Montana and 2) Persons and baggage between all points and places in Flathead County, Montana and the Veterans Hospital at Fort Harrison. Limitations: Carrier is precluded from operating vehicles with a seating capacity above eight with the exception of the transportation of children and attendants

originating or terminating in Columbia Falls and nine (9) miles to or from Big Mountain.

4. Queen City Limousine Inc. T-14.27.ST (Nickie)

On October 22, 2014 Queen City Limousine Inc., Helena, Montana filed an application to transfer PSC No. 9020 to UG, Inc. dba Queen City Limousine, Helena, Montana. The application for transfer was noticed to the public on November 3, 2014 and no protests were received. Probable Motion: Approve the transfer of PSC 9020 as applied for.

Class B - Passengers by limousine between all points and places within a fifty (50) mile radius of Helena, Montana, and within all points and places in Jefferson County; also from all of the foregoing points to all points in Montana, and from all points in Montana to all of the foregoing points. Limitations: 1) Transportation is limited to nine (9) passengers and further limited to limousine transportation only. 2) Transportation as a jitney or taxi is prohibited. 3) Reservations for limousine service must be made at least eight (8) hours in advance. 4) Transportation which originates in Silver Bow, Deer Lodge, Granite, Powell, Beaverhead, Ravalli and Cascade Counties is prohibited; however, transportation which originates in Jefferson County or points within a fifty (50) mile radius of Helena and which is performed as a continuous round trip movement to points in Silver Bow, Deer Lodge, Granite, Powell, Beaverhead, Ravalli, and Cascade Counties and return may be performed.

Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. D2013.5.33/D2014.5.46 – NorthWestern Energy – 2012-2014 Electric Supply Trackers – Discuss and act on NorthWestern’s Objections to Montana Consumer Counsel (MCC) Data Requests and MCC’s motion to compel responses to data requests. (12/9/14)
2. D2013.10.77 – NorthWestern Energy – Petition for 2013 CREP Waiver – Discuss and act on NorthWestern’s petition. (12/9/14)
3. T-14.23.DR – Bull Mountain Sanitation, LLC – Petition for declaratory ruling – Discuss and act on petition. (12/9/14)

Other Meetings

Weekly Scheduling, Review of Monthly Calendars, and Docket Status Updates (if requested by a Commissioner).

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda. Public comments on a noticed matter may also be submitted within the required time through the PSC's web-based comment form at <http://psc.mt.gov/Consumers/comments>. Comments should reference the docket number of the matter.

1. Central Montana Communication N2014.12.97 (Scott)

On December 3, 2014, Central Montana Communication (CMC) requested to modify its tariff. CMC proposes to delete its monthly vacation rate of \$2.00. Customers who do not need their local telephone service for a period of time will instead be billed under the Reserve Number tariff (also \$2.00 per month). The subscribers' bills will decrease because they will not be billed the subscriber line charge of \$3.25.

Protective Orders – Notice Items The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 38.2.5007. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Copies of these requests may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

Protective Orders – Information Items The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

D2014.11.95 - Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. - Application for Authority for Deferred Accounting

N2014.12.97 - Central Montana Communications Inc. - Modification of Tariff, Section 9